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Subject: Re: Gentle Reminder RE: Due Noon Today (8/25) - Proposal to Reduce IRIS to an Office-

Level Weakness

Go for it.

On Aug 25, 2017, at 7:24 AM, Heckman, Deborah < Heckman. Deborah@epa.gov> wrote:

To answer your question, this proposal would eliminate ORD's continued progress reports to OCFO on the status of the IRIS weakness.

ORD will still have to monitor the progress and activity of the IRIS Program to resolve the last remaining GAO recommendation and IRIS inclusion on the GAOs high risk report but this will be done internally.

Hopes this helps.

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No comments, but would appreciate a short description of the actual impact such a change would introduce.

On Aug 25, 2017, at 5:12 AM, Heckman, Deborah < Heckman. Deborah@epa.gov > wrote:

If you any comments please let me know by noon today. Thank you

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Attached for you review is a final draft Attachment G, 'FY 2017 Current Agency-Level Weakness for IRIS', which requests the downgrading of IRIS from an agency-level weakness to an office-level weakness. The proposal is due to OCFO by COB August 25th. OPARM worked closely with Lou D'Amico and Samantha Jones from NCEA to document how ORD has addressed issues which were self-identified in ORD's FY 2009 assurance letter that proposed IRIS as an agency-level weakness.

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